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EMBOFF WHO VISITED CYRENEICA 15-17 JUNE LEARNED IN DISCUSSIONS
WITH SEVERAL EXPATRIATE BUSINESSMEN (NON- AMERICANS) THAT

THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARD PEOPLES COMMITTEES WHICH HAVE BEEN
FORMED IN THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTOR THERE IS
ESSENTIALLY OPTIMISTIC. THEY ADMIT THAT, WHILE ALL
THE RETURNS ARE NOT YET IN, THERE IS SOME DEGREE OF
CONFUSION REIGNING. HOWEVER, EARLY INDICATIONS
ARE THAT THE GREAT MAJORITY OF TENDERS ARE NOW GOING
TO THE LOWEST BIDDERS DUE TO A REDUCTION IN " KICK-
BACK" ACTIVITY. TO SOME EXTENT THIS IS DISQUIETING
TO THE EXPATRIATE BUSINESSMEN USED TO DEALING WITH
FAMILIAR " FIVE PERCENTERS", BUT THERE ARE THOSE WHO
FEEL THAT BUSINESS WILL BECOME MORE REALISTICALLY
COMPETITIVE WITH LESS POLITICS INVOLVED IN THE WINNING
OF CONTRACTS WITH THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT.
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